

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

South Saint Louis Soil and Water Conservation District FY09 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Water Quality
Forest Management
Trout Stream Protection
Flooding
Wildlife Habitat
Manure Storage

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

None.

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Applications addressing Water Resource Protection

Applications addressing Feedlot Waste Water Treatment and CNMP installation

Applications addressing Habitat Improvement

Applications addressing Impaired Waters

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

Water Resource Protection, the application will install trees within 100 feet of MNDNR designated trout streams. 20 points

Water Resource Protection, the application will install Water Resource Protection Practices within the watersheds of MNDNR designated trout streams, or impaired waters. 10 points

Water Resource Protection, the application will install Feedlot Waste Water Treatment practice(s) and CNMP. 5 points

Habitat Management, the application will install the practice Early Successional Habitat Development/Management (647) with 2 miles of a MNDNR mapped sharp tail grouse lek. 5 points

5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions must equal exactly 40 points.

6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.
 7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document
- None

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 09 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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